

DISPUTES D.C. HOUSES CENSUS

Assessor Richards Finds Only 74,000 Dwellings Here—U. S. Claims 90,000.

William P. Richards, assessor for the District of Columbia, has taken issue with the statement of the Census Bureau that there are approximately 90,000 dwellings in the District. He says that the number is nearer 75,000, with the total number of buildings in the city at about 88,000.

MADE HIS OWN CENSUS.

The estimate of the Assessor is based upon a careful study and count of the number of dwellings in the city by the members of his staff. To substantiate the Assessor's count, he says that there are 75,000 water meters installed in the District and that the number of installing meters is more than 85 per cent complete. Since the war he estimates that 10,000 buildings have been erected in Washington.

According to Mr. Richards there are 3,000 brick buildings in the city; 15,900 frame buildings; 529 office buildings; 3,270 apartment houses and flats; about 11,000 garages and 69 theaters. When the Zoning Commission was working out plans for the zoning of the city a count was made by the commission to determine the number of buildings in the city. This count showed approximately the following number of buildings:

70,000 residences, 89 hotels, 1,000 apartments, 69 theaters, 3,658 buildings of other kinds. No count was made of the number of garages and two-story flats were classed as residences.

POISONED IN TAXI; ACCIDENT, SHE SAYS

Mrs. Wassman, Near Death, Declares She Mistook Bichloride for Aspirin.

While riding near the Capitol in a taxicab last night, Mrs. Ella Wassman, twenty-five years old, 414 Eleventh street southeast, swallowed bichloride of mercury. At Emergency Hospital, where she was taken in the taxicab after she complained of being ill, she said that she mistook the mercury for aspirin tablets. Her condition is very serious.

The police say Elmer Johnson, 2503 Fourteenth street northwest, was in the machine with the woman. It is said Mrs. Wassman has been separated from her husband about two years.

WOMEN'S PRESS CLUB TO HEAR CONGRESSWOMAN

Miss Alice M. Robertson, of Oklahoma, the only woman elected to the Sixty-ninth Congress, will have something to say about women's place in politics, when she addresses the Women's National Press Club Monday afternoon.

WASHINGTON SALON ACQUIRES PLAYHOUSE

The Washington Salon has acquired the Playhouse at 1814 N street northwest, for its future soirees and meetings. It was announced today. The Salon and the French club have hitherto met at 1413 H street northwest.

To Give Yacht to Alfonso.

BARCELONA Spain, April 2.—Prominent residents of Catalonia plan to purchase the yacht formerly owned by the ex-German emperor, the Nordern, now in port here, for presentation to King Alfonso, changing the name of the yacht to the Catalana.

HARDINGS TO PRESENT \$100,000 RADIUM TO MME. CURRIE

President and Mrs. Harding will receive Mme. Currie in the White House on May 20 and present her with a gramme of radium valued at \$100,000, in behalf of women of America who have contributed to a fund for this purpose in recognition of her scientific services, particularly in the discovery of radium. Officers and members of the woman's committee, which has provided for the purchase, will be present at that time, it was announced yesterday.

Mme. Currie will come to this country especially for the presentation. It was added, and will be carried here from Paris by Mrs. William Browne Meloney, of New York, who will sail for France for that purpose April 20.

What's Doing; When; Where

TODAY. Convention—Association of Collegiate Alumnae and the Southern Association of College Women, 8 a. m. Play—"Alice in Wonderland," under auspices of the Washington sub-committee of the District Medical Society, National auditorium, Thirteenth street and New York avenue, 2 p. m. Meeting—Mt. Pleasant Citizens' Association, Johnson-Powell School, 8 p. m. Meeting—Washington Academy of Sciences, Cosmos Club, 8:15 p. m. Dance—Ohio Girls' Club, Dumbarton club room, Wisconsin avenue, 8:30 p. m. Exhibit—Woman's City Club, 2 p. m. Address—"Humanity as a Being," Society for Philanthropic Inquiry, Public Library, 4:30 p. m. Meeting—Retired Enlisted Men's Association, Pythian Temple, 1912 Ninth street northwest, 8 p. m. Meeting—National Genealogical Society, 520 Monroe street northwest, 8 p. m. Anniversary—Irish-American Association, 1413 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, 8 p. m.

DELEGATION WILL LEAVE FOR ARLINGTON

Left to right: O. H. Oldroyd, Col. John S. McElroy, G. H. Slaybaugh, H. B. Snyder, Maj.-Gen. John L. Clem. Rear: Commander-in-chief D. V. Chisholm and Gen. James A. Drain, commander of the District Department of the American Legion.

Many Wounded Men Seeking U. S. Claims Arrived Stranded, Legion Declares.

Aroused by the number of partially disabled ex-service men stranded in Washington, the American Legion today took steps to provide food and shelter for all penniless ex-soldiers who are in or will come to Washington to push their claims with the Government.

CALL WELFARE MEETING.

The legion has called a conference of representatives of all welfare organizations and civic bodies to be held in the board room of the District building on April 8 at 9 o'clock. District Commissioner Rudolph is expected to be present. According to William F. Franklin, a member of the legion committee named to arrange a conference, soldiers are coming here from every part of the United States.

REACH HERE STRANDED.

"They reach here with very little money, believing their money will be ready for them when they reach the city," said Franklin. "Many times there is a delay and the men find themselves stranded on the streets with no money to buy food. It may be possible that the representatives of the organizations will find some way to remedy this condition. If one of the Government temporary buildings could be obtained some of the men might be housed in them, while some welfare organizations could provide food."

The legion committee comprises Paul Tyman, chairman; Earl Hamilton Smith, William F. Franklin and Howard S. Diske.

HUBBY, YANK HERO, BEAT HER, SHE SAYS

Mrs. Feddon Seeks Divorce. Declares Veteran Made Her Support Him.

Declaring her soldier-husband, who was decorated several times for bravery in France, beat and choked her and threatened her life, Mrs. Alice Feddon today filed suit in the District Supreme Court for limited divorce with alimony.

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DEATH WARRANT ISSUED FOR HANGING OF "VILLA"

The death warrant for the execution of Guy Vernon Thompson, recently found guilty at Rockville of killing three persons at Germantown, Montgomery county, by dynamiting a house, was signed yesterday by Governor Ritchie, of Maryland, and will be read to Thompson in the Baltimore city jail this afternoon by Sheriff George E. Nicholson.

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Johnson's Estate to Widow.

Mrs. Catherine Vassar Johnson is named sole beneficiary under the will of her husband, the late Henry Clay Johnson, attorney, whose will dated probate, A. D. 1905 was filed today for probate. A cash bequest of \$100 to be paid to him at the discretion of his mother. The will specifically requests that his family burial lot at Oak Hill Cemetery remain in his name and be used only for the interment of members of his family and that their bodies shall never be disturbed or removed. The widow is named executrix.

Labor Disputes Increase.

An increase in labor troubles is shown today in the weekly report of the mediation division of the Department of Labor. There were nine new cases brought to the attention of the department during the week, as compared with three and six for the two previous weeks.

Britain Moves for Protection.

The British government has issued formal proposals to Parliament for the protection of British key industries and the prevention of dumping.

American Consul Skinner at London today called the Department of Commerce.

"KICKED OUT," HE SAYS; ASKS DIVORCE

Lost Wife's Favor When His Brother Came, Asserts Finkelman.

Alleging misconduct and naming a co-respondent, Charles H. Winkelman today filed suit in the District Supreme Court for absolute divorce from his wife, Katie May Winkelman. Winkelman, represented by Attorney Day Wolf, states that he has been married nearly thirty years and that last year when his brother came to live with them he was "kicked out of the house."

He further alleges that his brother, Edward F. Winkelman, has made his home with them since his own wife was committed to St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Winkelman also asks the custody of the couple's six children.

MINISTERS SEE HOOVER IN McDONALD'S BEHALF

A delegation of Washington clergymen called on Secretary of Commerce Hoover this morning and presented a petition urging the appointment of large knaves and a new trial would be requested, but no appeal has been noted. Thompson, known to his acquaintances as "Villa," will be hanged by Sheriff Nicholson.

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POLICE HOW GETS PENSION

Mrs. Bradley Awarded \$35 Per Month by D. C. for Husband's Sacrifice.

Mrs. Preston E. Bradley, widow of the Second precinct policeman who sacrificed his life in the line of duty on February 20, today was advised that the commissioners had granted her a life pension of \$35 a month. This is the maximum pension allowed by law.

FUND REACHES \$600.

Thus far the Security Savings and Commercial Bank, Ninth and G streets northwest, has received \$500.50 in contributions to the Bradley relief fund. The proceeds from the soccer game played last Sunday by the Thistles and Harlem A. C. probably will swell the fund to about \$600.

The Delhi Club, which will give a performance, probably at Central High School auditorium, for the benefit of Mrs. Bradley, is holding nightly rehearsals so as to present a finished entertainment. The theatrical club is composed of thirty talented and versatile young men and women, and the entertainment promises to be a strong drawing card.

William "Mickey" McPhily has promised to put on his best black-face act for the benefit of Mrs. Bradley. McPhily is well known about Washington for his dancing ability, and his addition to the show promises to go far toward bringing "The F Street Revue" above the average.

Aside from his skill in the clog, eccentric and soft-shoe line, "Mickey" has a pleasing baritone voice and a mellow quality that is a knockout.

No less able is Erwin Rice, another Delhi Club black-face comedian. Rice is known as the "gentleman with the elastic knees," and his impersonation of Bert Williams, negro comedian of roadway fame, is a sure winner. Rice and McPhily are planning a joint skit in addition to their individual efforts, and when these two get together the audience may be assured of a demonstration of the black art developed to the nth degree.

Many professional and amateur entertainers of the District are volunteering their services to the Delhi Club for this worthy cause.

DESPONDENT WAR HERO IS SUICIDE

C. M. Schofield, of Alexandria, Shoots Self in Front of His Home.

Eluding members of the American Legion who had kept him under surveillance for several weeks after he had made threats of contemplating suicide, C. Marshall Schofield, thirty-five years old, a veteran of the world war, ended his life yesterday afternoon in front of his home at 918 Cameron street, Alexandria, by firing three bullets into his body, one of which passed through his heart.

Schofield, a son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Webster Schofield, served overseas with the ambulance corps and was injured when he fell into a shell hole while carrying wounded soldiers to the battlefield. After his return to his home in Alexandria Schofield has suffered melancholy and frequently had threatened to commit suicide. Fellow members of the American Legion have watched his movements and tried to cheer him, but to no avail. Schofield was a prominent Mason of Alexandria.

ALUMNI OF WISCONSIN PLAN ANNUAL BANQUET

Plans for a "get together" dinner will be discussed next Friday night at a meeting of the Washington branch of the University of Wisconsin Alumni Association, at the home of Mrs. Arthur Luedke, 2913 Porter street northwest.

Thursday night the officers of the association were entertained by the secretary, Miss Louise Evans, at the Red Cross Woman's Club, 1801 I street northwest. All graduates of Wisconsin University interested in the forthcoming banquet should communicate with Miss Evans.

A. F. of L. Backs Firemen.

The International Association of Fire Fighters affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, is giving full financial and moral support to the unionized members of the city fire department of Cleveland, Ohio, in their fight against hostile city officials. Fred W. Baer, president of the organization announced here today.

Parsons to Talk on Art.

Frank Alvah Parsons, president of the New York School of Fine and Applied Arts, will lecture at the Minor Normal school under the auspices of the Household Arts Club, Tuesday evening, April 5, 8:15. His subject will be "Eighteenth Century Art and the Modern House."

Lectures on Hawaii.

Gilbert Grosvenor, president of the National Geographic Society, last night lectured before members at the Masonic temple on Hawaii. The lecture was illustrated with photographs taken by Grosvenor and his friends on a recent visit to the island.

Ohioans See President.

Senator Willis of Ohio and John P. Price, attorney general of Ohio, called informally upon President Harding today.

Handshakers Too Much For Harding; Gives Up Meeting All-Comers

"Ladiz and gen'lemen, on yer left is—blaa-blaa! "On yer right, ladiz and gen'lemen—oomp-oomp, bulla-bulla!" But right in front of you, ladies and gentlemen, is the reason President Harding stopped shaking hands with visitors to the White House.

MARSHALL GODING, fifteen-year-old Heard and Seen fan, sounding the rallying cry for District nuts. Marshall's sign informs the world that the bearer just afraid to wear a few peanuts and calls on all squirrel nourishment to gather around Bill Price. Puzzle: Count the nuts. The winner gets what Marshall has left—if he can find him.



CARL T. THORNTON

MAN KILLED IN TRAFFIC CRASH

Auto Upsets Milk Wagon, Driver Fatally Hurt—Nine Injured In Other Accidents.

One man has been killed and nine persons injured since last night in traffic accidents.

Charles W. Reed, twenty, 2211 Tenth street northwest, was fatally injured when he was thrown from his automobile after it had been struck by an automobile early this morning at Rhode Island avenue and Columbia street northwest. His skull and jaw were fractured. He died at Emergency Hospital an hour later.

WAGON TURNS OVER.

Reed, while in front of 927 Rhode Island avenue, steered his horse to turn in Columbia street, when the auto struck the wagon, which turned turtle. The horse was injured but not badly.</